

Guard your health. It is your most valuable asset.

A duty neglected today yields a scourge tomorrow.

When New York gets a \$10,000,000 stadium it will be almost classical.

The old year tried to bring in side whiskers, but the task was beyond its strength.

One example of doing a perfectly useless thing is giving a smoker in Pittsburgh.

Lawlessness is instinctive with us. Shipping live animals by parcel post is all the rage.

Gold fish figure in a case of lease breaking, but not on account of the noise they make.

Out of 12,000 buildings built last year in Greater New York 5,200 are classified as "frame."

The pennant winning of 1913 is being conducted around every hot stove in town and country.

The unscrambling of eggs that are brought in by parcel post is a difficult job. Eggs is eggs.

With the patenting of "harmless" happens the opportunities for crowds to gather will be increased.

In Athens a woman who wears a large hat in a theater is fined \$40. Why not confiscate the hat?

An English professor stands ready to prove that Pharaoh was a fat old man, five feet seven inches high.

Only 50 per cent. of the operations for appendicitis are necessary, but no rebate goes to the other 50 per cent.

What has become of the dear old grandmother who used to knit mittens for the grandchildren? Playing bridge?

West Point officials arrested a cadet for getting married. Yet displays of courage by soldiers are not ordinarily condemned.

Flat dwellers will certainly have a concrete grievance against the neighbor upstairs who moves his cement piano often.

The man in Oregon who has been sentenced to a cumulative term of 800 years would seem to have a good case for claiming a commutation to a life sentence.

One year's supply of coal for New York, loaded in fifty-ton cars, would reach from Broadway to Salt Lake City. But what an awful congestion of traffic there'd be!

There is great complaint against the smoking automobile, but it must be said in its favor that it does not throw lighted matches and burning stumps about promiscuously.

The largest ocean liner in the world will leave Hamburg May 7 on her maiden voyage to New York. She has three electric elevators and a theater and swimming baths.

A western woman hearing her husband was preparing to buy her a \$3,000 automobile, had him examined for his sanity. Probably she thought it was too cheap a machine.

Two thousand dollars was recently paid for a blue cat. Many men have seen blue cats for less than that, as well as pink elephants, and green dragons, and red chimpanzees.

One hears but little of late of old Doc Fletcher, chiefly because few have anything to practice fletcherizing on.

A Boston woman had an ice cream fined for giving her short weight. The long-suffering public worm is turning at last.

A learned man of Boston says health is denied to those who wear shoes—and Boston is so near Lynn and Brockton.

With additional privileges, of course, come additional responsibilities. If mother insists on wearing trousers she will have to put out the cat and wind the clock before going to bed.

A woman doctor says that women wore corsets and hobble skirts 5,000 years ago. Now we can account for those pictures of women engraved in the walls of ancient Egyptian temples.

Johns Hopkins surgeons have discovered that orange blossoms may be used as an anesthetic. Perhaps the bride wears them to make the ceremony less painful for the groom.

The odorless skunk has arrived to line up with the stingless bee, the spineless cactus and the seedless orange.

Some get vacuum cleaners as presents but many more get pocketbooks that vacuum cleaners may have been at work upon.

Simplified spelling has again come to the front. But this is a free country, and any amusement not against the laws of the land is allowed at pleasure.

New York city's age cannot be exactly ascertained, for the check for \$24 that the Dutchman gave the Indians has been lost and so has its date.

The appropriation for aeroplanes for use in the army will not be increased in the coming fiscal year. There is a limit to human courage.

Australia's winter is so mild that dogs hang out their tongues as they walk. Wouldn't you do likewise in a temperature of 122 degrees in the shade?

# PEOPLE MOST TALKED ABOUT

## MRS. WILSON SHUNS INAUGURAL FETE

Washington society quickly adjusted itself to the official announcement that there would be no inaugural ball March 4, but that a reception would be substituted for the time-honored feature. Announcement, however, that the inaugural committee had been informed by telephone from Trenton that Mrs. Wilson and her daughters would not attend the reception gave society a shock. Nevertheless society will recover and be on parade as usual even if Mrs. Wilson and her daughters refrain from attending the function.

The declaration of the president-elect's family to participate in the reception will influence the attitude of the diplomatic corps and maybe that of the exclusive society set, but the rank and file of Washington and many of the visitors who are attracted to the city by other features of the inauguration will be on hand.

It is not to be expected that the dressing will be so elaborate as on former occasions when the president and members of his family attended inaugural honors, but the aspirant for social notice and the newcomers who enter Washington official life with the new congress will be present.

What the affair loses in gorgeousness and exquisite dressing will be compensated, in the opinion of Democrats, by genuine Democratic methods, and they predict it will be a success.

With the local committee withdrawn from all control over the reception there will not be the usual effort to dispose of tickets of admission, but unless the new president frowns severely on the reception and withdraws from it all recognition, the presence of the Marine band and other music, with well lighted rotunda and corridors, it is thought will attract to the capital the night of March 4 a large crowd, however varied the style of dressing may be.

As a further attraction 10,000 incandescent lamps will be added to the lights now installed along Pennsylvania avenue, while from the Capitol to the treasury building powerful searchlights will sweep the broad thoroughfare. This outburst of electricity, say the managers, will make the capital of the United States the most brilliantly lighted city in the world.



## SCIENCE and INVENTION

### BUBBLING CUP IS SANITARY

Man Designs Bubbler That May Be Placed to Lips While Person is in Upright Position.

The one great disadvantage of the ordinary bubbling cup sanitary fountain lies in the fact that the drinkers, whether they be men, women or children, tall, short, fat or thin, must place their lips to the cup instead of placing the cup to the lips.

In an endeavor to remedy this disadvantage, one sanitary drinking fountain manufacturer has designed a



New Sanitary Bubbler.

bubbler which may be raised to the height of the lips, so that the user may stand in a perfectly easy and natural position while drinking. This is made possible by a hose and cup arrangement, the hose consisting of a double tube. The inner tube is the feed pipe for the bubbler, and the outer tube acts as a waste pipe, carrying away the surplus water while the person is drinking. The flow of water through the inner tube is continuous, no matter what the position of the cup, but when the cup is lowered into its position in the fountain basin the water flows over it and discharges into the basin instead of being carried away by the outer tube.

### DEVICE HELPS IN SHAVING

Soap Is Compelled to Penetrate and Soften Most Unruly Beard by Use of French Invention.

This small French invention is designed to quicken the process of shaving, and, according to one of the Paris scientific magazines, succeeds in its purpose. It consists of a small convex surface composed of xylonite, which is a soluble ferment much like ivory in appearance, says the Popular Mechanics. To this is attached a handle which makes it easy to hold. The person shaving rubs the face in the usual manner, but for a shorter period. Then the xylonite is pressed or gently patted against the



Aid in Shaving.

soap-covered skin, compelling the soap to penetrate it and soften the most unruly growth of beard. It can also be used after the shave to soften the skin.

### New Malarial Cure.

A new cure for malaria by injection with an arsenical compound named ferroakadylate and colloidal silver is being tested in the hospital at Trieste. The treatment, which was discovered by Doctor Barcanovich, is said to be remarkably rapid in severe cases of acute malaria, curing them in 24 hours without relapses. It was first used on 45 sailors of the Austrian Lloyd line who had contracted malaria in India.

### Submarine Record.

New records for depth were established by the United States submarine boat F-1 during a six-hour submerged cruise in San Francisco bay this fall. The boat went down to a depth of 283 feet. The vessel maintained this depth for ten minutes while traveling at a speed of six knots; then, rising to a depth of nineteen feet, it proceeded at a speed of eight knots. The previous record was 256 feet.

### First Lightning Rod.

Nearly everybody believes that Benjamin Franklin was the inventor and constructor of the first lightning rod. In this particular they are mistaken, as the first lightning catcher was invented by a poor monk of Bohemia, who put up the first lightning rod on a palace of the curator of Precht, Moravia, June 15, 1754. The apparatus was composed of a pole surmounted by an iron rod, supporting two curved branches and terminating in as many metallic boxes filled with iron ore. The entire system of wires was united to the earth by a large chain. The enemies of the inventor, jealous of his success, excited the peasants against him and under the pretext that his lightning rod was the cause of the excessive dry weather, had the rod taken down and the inventor imprisoned.

### Wings for Automobile.

A French automobile is driven by an aerial propeller. It is proved, of course, that the blades of the propeller have been shaped like a bird's wing.

## END OF WORLD IS DESCRIBED

What Will Happen If Our Planet Bumps Into the Sun—Misplaced Faith in Solar System.

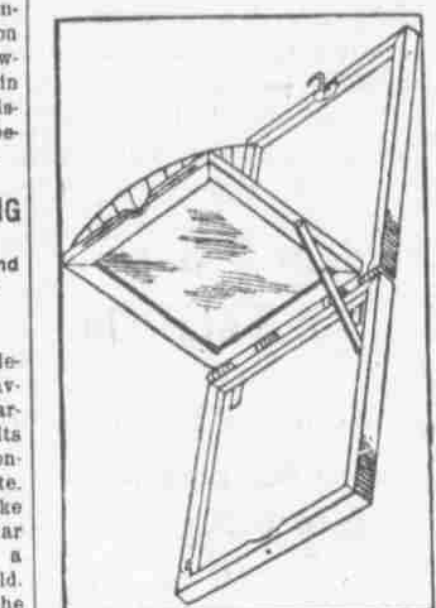
What will be the end of the world? This is a question which was formerly asked of soothsayers and prophets and often answered by them with definite statements and dates which were, to those who believed them, to the last degree disquieting. Such prophets and prophecies have all been proved erroneous, and the Millerites and their kin have all been laughed out of serious consideration, says the Technical World. Science has taught us better, and yet science which seeks always new facts and revised reasoning is now teaching us that our faith in the safety of the solar system is misplaced.

Instead of the eternally changeless procession of the planets about the sun and of our solar system about some other, greater sun, astronomers find grave evidence of what seems disorder in what we thought was perpetual perfection, a disorder which may, indeed probably will, sometime wreck our own planet. It is possible—astronomically considered it is probable—that, unseen within the remote confines of space the vast mass of a dead world is hurtling toward our sun with inconceivable velocity. In time the two will come together and the immeasurable heat produced will make gas of granite and floating clouds of nebulae of us all; for thus worlds die and thus they are immediately in process of being born again, for out of the condensation of this nebulae will come the beginnings of a new solar system which will, in the countless aeons of astronomical time, go through the same process of evolution and decay.

## HANDY FOR A DRAUGHTSMAN

Device for Obtaining Perspective Can Be Folded Up Into Flat Surface For Easy Carrying.

An appliance that will be convenient to draughtsmen has been invented by a New York man. It is a folding board of the type on which draughtsmen get their perspective.



Draughtsman's Board.

Three supports are hinged at one end so that they fold up into one flat surface for easy carrying. When in use the two outside sections of the apparatus are laid flat and the middle section is held perpendicularly by a rod connecting it with one of the flat pieces. This middle support holds a transparent sheet divided into squares. A picture is laid on one of the horizontal supports, and the draughtsman copies on a sheet laid on the other horizontal support the reduced image, which is reflected on the transparent sheet—reduced because of the angle. A folding light shield connects the up right with one of the work supports

## NOTES OF SCIENCE AND INVENTION

Vaccine with live bacilli is now administered to prevent typhoid fever. A new French bottle cap includes a metal tab which, when pulled, rips off the rim of the cap.

New windshields for automobiles can be adjusted to serve as dining tables for occupants of a car. Ozone for the purification of drinking water has been successfully used in several large European cities.

Pincers, which lock when closed, requiring considerable force to open them, are a California invention. One of Germany's numerous dirigible balloons has made more than 100 journeys with passengers without a single mishap.

A swinging seat, invented for the use of the locomotive engineer, offers a back rest, of which he has been heretofore deprived.

Two English physicians are experimenting with a new parasite with which they hope to exterminate the flies of their country in a very few years.

A letter opener, mail scale and six-inch rule have been combined in a handy desk implement.

Deep breathing is one of the best cures for insomnia as it draws the blood from the brain to the lungs.

A \$5,000 prize offered in England for the best mine lamp has been divided among nine inventors. One received \$3,000 and the others \$250 each.

To make damp walls drier a machine has been invented in England to cut seams in them, into which are inserted sheets of lead, covered with asphalt felt.

A monument will be erected in France to the memory of Hubert Latham, who was the first aviator to consider the idea of crossing the English channel.

Caps and masks made of aluminum tubing, through which either hot or cold water can be circulated, have been invented by a Vienna scientist for use as surgical compresses.

According to the statement of a professor in a German university the percentage of baldness among intellectual men is only two for music men and sixteen for writers and others.

## AN INDIAN INAUGURAL

Penobscot Tribe Invites College Professor to Ceremony.

Dr. Speck of University of Pennsylvania Dined With Chief—Odd Political System of Maine Warriors and Their Emblematic Flag.

Oldtown, Me.—To be a specially-invited guest at an Indian inaugural ceremony, an active participant in the accompanying festivities, and to dance an Indian "suey" with the chief of the tribe was an honor recently conferred on Dr. Frank G. Speck, professor of anthropology at the University of Pennsylvania. During the Christmas holidays, in response to a special invitation, he attended the biennial inauguration of a new chief of the Penobscot Indians, who live on Indian Island, in the Penobscot river, near Oldtown, Me.

The Penobscot inauguration is the largest and most important ceremony of all those of the northern Indian tribes. It occurs every two years, and is held on January 1 in the town hall of the Indian village. Dr. Speck, in describing the ceremony, said:

"Early in the afternoon the entire tribe, about 500 in number, assembled in the town hall. Upon the platform sat the retiring chief, Horace Nicola; the newly-elected chief, Peter Nicola; and their respective councils. The older men and the officials of the tribe occupied the front seats down on the floor. The children were seated in the extreme rear of the building. I was accorded the honor of sitting with the tribal dignitaries on the front benches. The inauguration consisted of a speech by the retiring chief, welcoming his successor, and a response by the latter. Then the first handed the new chief the symbols of the chief executive's office, which consists of a peace medal given to the Penobscots in 1870 by Andrew Jackson. Following this the new chief and his council were presented to the tribe by his predecessor. Throughout the entire ceremony there was the greatest dignity, which made it all very impressive.

"The inauguration occupied the entire afternoon. In the evening came the inaugural dance in the town hall. This was the big event of the day. The whole tribe turned out, dressed



Retiring Chief Peter Nikola.

in their best. The forepart of the evening was devoted to the inaugural dance, which is a slow, shuffling walk. The chief beats time with a huge rattle and sings long chants, the choruses of which are sung by the tribe. The more dignified Penobscots formed one band of dancers and merely shuffled their feet, but the younger and boisterous braves and squaws took great delight in stamping loudly and making all the noise possible. I danced around with the new chief. Facing each other, we slowly circled about the room, keeping time to the shaking of the rattle.

"When this was finished a big feast was served upstairs, and then the dancing was resumed. But this time the American dances were danced and the music was furnished by an excellent Indian orchestra."

## HAS DOG, CAT, BIRD PROBLEM

Kansas City Officer Expected to Keep Them From Want—Investment of \$200.

Kansas City, Mo.—How to invest \$200 so that it may yield an annuity large enough to make life easy for two dogs, two cats and a parrot is a problem in finance that is worrying Samuel B. Strother, public administrator. The death recently of Mrs. Anna Smith, a widow, survived by the five pets, left this problem on the administrator's hands. Mrs. Smith lived alone and had no relatives in Kansas City.

The woman's heirs were notified that the small amount of money represented the estate. Mr. Strother received word from the heirs asking him to use the money in complying with the request made by Mrs. Smith that her pets be cared for after her death.

## "DEAD" MAN WANTED MEAL

Discards Shroud When Undertaker Was About to Embalm Him—No Doctor Summoned.

Cornwall, N. Y.—As an undertaker was preparing to embalm his body, Harry Brigham, a long-time resident of Ulysses, Pa., shook off his shroud, straightened up in bed and asked for breakfast. After eating Brigham said he felt better than he had been for several days.

Brigham, who had been ill for a long time, was found apparently dead by his family. After spending two hours trying to arouse him, they summoned an undertaker without first calling a physician.

## BEFORE AND AFTER MARRIAGE

Advice Given Mother in Regard to Young Daughter Proves Valuable to Daughter Even After Marriage.

Pollock, Tex.—"When I was a girl, about 14 years of age," writes Mrs. Winnie Delaney, of this town, "I was in awfully bad health. I tried different treatments, but they did me no good."

A friend advised my mother to give me Cardui, the woman's tonic. She gave me one bottle, and it straightened me out all right.

I did not have any more trouble until after I was married. I had several bad spells then, but I began taking Cardui again, and my health started to improving right away.

I can safely recommend Cardui to all women sufferers, as I think it is the greatest woman's medicine on earth.

You may publish this letter if you wish."

Cardui is good for young girls, as well as older women, because it contains pure, harmless, vegetable ingredients, which act gently, yet surely, on the delicate womanly organs. It is a tonic prepared exclusively for women.

For more than 50 years, Cardui has been in widely extended use, by women of all ages, and has given entire satisfaction, as a remedy for rebuilding womanly health and strength.

You can rely on Cardui. It will do for you, what it has done for thousands of others. It will help you. Begin to take Cardui today.

N. B.—Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. Adv.

## JAKES' FAULT VERY SERIOUS

Father Rightly Felt He Could Never Be Captain of Industry Unless He Was Taught to Improve.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaacs took great pride in their young son, Jakey. Father was determined to make him a great business man, a veritable captain of industry. One day mother heard loud screams coming from an adjoining room and rushed in to investigate the cause of the trouble. Father was vigorously administering a dose of "strap oil" to the young hopeful.

"Hey! Hey! Vv for you are licking little Jakey?"

"Because I caught him in a lie; dot's vv," replied father, continuing the chastisement.

"A lie? You say a lie?"

"Yes; I will teach him to lie better as dot eef I haif to break effery bone in hees body."—Exchange.

## EXCELLENT!



"Are you first in anything in school, Earlie?"

"First out of the building when the bell rings."

Knew It All.

An old but sturdy Irishman, who had made a reputation as a gang boss, was given a job with a railroad construction company at Port-au-Prince, Haiti. One day, when the sun was hotter than usual, his gang of black Haitians began to shirk, and as the chief engineer rode up on his horse the Irishman was heard to shout:

"Allez—you sons of guns—allez!" Then turning to the engineer, he said: "I curse the day I ever learned their language."

He only is rich who owns the day and no one owns the day who allows it to be invaded with worry, fret, and anxiety.—Emerson.

## SPANISH KING PLEADS TO SEE THE U. S.



King Alfonso of Spain is likely to pay a visit to the United States some time this summer. The Spanish government is now considering a proposal which emanated from the king himself, who has long desired to visit America. He has several times made similar proposals which have been rejected by the government under the mistaken notion that the animosities created by the war between Spain and the United States are still warm.

Since last year King Alfonso has been combating this idea and has been reinforced in his opinions by the personal experiences of Captain Vincens, the Spanish attaché at London, and another officer who visited the United States last summer.

When Alfonso was in England in August he sent for Captain Vincens and questioned him about his trip to the United States.

The Spanish king insisted upon getting from the attaché every minute detail in regard to the United States. He was particularly anxious to find out whether any ill-feeling remained in America over the Spanish-American war. Captain Vincens assured him that there was not the slightest animosity. On the contrary he found everywhere feelings of the utmost cordiality.

He said to the king: "My comrade and myself visited the United States as two private individuals. From the moment we reached New York it rained kindnesses and courtesies."

"The commandant at West Point in his invitation asked me to stay a week, but unfortunately I was able to remain only two days. I have seen military academies in all parts of the world, but West Point is simply wonderful and those two days shall never be forgotten. Everything was shown to me from the kitchen to the classroom and the graduation hall."

"On every side I heard expressions of delight that we, as Spanish officers, had visited West Point."

## LASCURAIN SAYS THE REVOLUTION IS OVER

Senor Don Pedro Lascurain, minister of foreign relations of Mexico, who spent a few days in this country recently, does not regard the future of his country as being nearly so dark as some people have pictured it. On the contrary, he is filled with optimism, and predicts an era of great prosperity for Mexico, in which he expects and hopes the United States will share.

When asked by a reporter as to the accuracy of recent reports of continued rebel activity and for a statement as to the prospect of permanent peace, he said:

"There has been much misrepresentation regarding our affairs. The situation in Mexico today is very much like that which existed in this country during the latter part of your Indian campaigns. Tranquillity prevails everywhere save in a few remote sections. The people want peace and are determined to have it. The last revolution is at an end; there is no doubt about that. The only remnants of it are some marauding bands of outlaws who are operating just as your Indians did—and they are just as hard to capture. They are far out in broad and sparsely settled parts of the country, much of which is wild and mountainous. They are familiar with every foot of the ground and know every mountain pass and hiding place."

"Not a single village in all of Mexico is in the possession of these vandals. There are not more than 20,000 or 25,000 of them at the most, probably not nearly so many. They are operating in bands of from 20 to 500, chiefly in the states of Chihuahua, Sonora and Morelos. They are being pursued by 60,000 regular troops and rurales, besides the volunteer forces in the affected districts, and their extermination is certain, though it may take some little time on account of the difficulties which are being encountered by the Federal soldiers. But at the most it will not take long."



Had Real Gema. Actresses are commonly reputed to wear "paste" jewelry on the stage. That some of them wear genuine diamonds, however, is attested by the New York city custom house, which recently assessed the gems of an incoming French actress at \$327,800.

Substitute. Mother (after relating pathetic story)—"Now, Reggie, wouldn't you like to give your bunny to that poor little boy you saw today who hasn't any father?" Reggie (clutching the rabbit)—"Couldn't we give him father instead?"—Punch.

Hot Many. "Women are living longer than they did a generation ago," says a statistical authority. Yes, but will they own up to being any older?—Exchange.

To Escape the Storm. Many, many storms there are that lie low and hug the ground; and the way to escape them is to go up the mountain side, and get higher than they are.—Henry Ward Beecher.

## Shivery Mornings

You can have a taste of the summer sunshine of the corn fields by serving a dish of

## Post Toasties

These crisp flavoury bits of toasted white corn make an appetizing dish at any time of year.

Try them in February

and taste the delicate true maize flavour.

A dish of Toasties served either with cream or milk or fruit, is surprisingly good.

"The Memory Lingers"

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